STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS22550

The purpose of this bill is to increase the daily rate for state sentenced prisoners housed in county jails from \$40 a day to \$50 a day. The Idaho Department of Correction houses approximately 600 state prisoners in the county jails throughout the state on any given day. The daily rate has not changed since 2000. The cumulative amount of inflation since that time is approximately 35%. It takes approximately \$54 to buy what one could buy in 2000 with \$40. It is appropriate to adjust this daily rate so that the county property taxpayers will not have to make up the cost difference in housing state prisoners.

FISCAL NOTE

Assuming 600 prisoners for 365 days, the fiscal impact will be 2.19 million dollars.



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